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Application No.: 09/468,051 Art Unit: 2193  
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Allowed: 08/10/2005 Customer: 27516  
Title: PIPELINE CONTROLLER FOR PROVIDING INDEPENDENT EXECUTION  
BETWEEN THE PRELIMINARY AND ADVANCED STAGES OF A SYNCHRONOUS  
PIPELINE

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The Examiner's statement of Reasons for Allowance implies that the claimed invention was allowed because the prior art did not disclose specific elements. The elements characterized by the Examiner, however, even if found in the prior art, would not render the claimed invention invalid under 35 USC §102 because the claimed invention includes a number of limitations not addressed in the Reasons for Allowance. With respect to 35 USC §103, the requirements of establishing a *prima facie* case of obviousness including (1) a showing that the prior art teaches the entire claimed invention where all limitations are to be considered, and (2) that combining various prior art references is (a) suggested in the art, and (b) there would be motivation to make the combination, with a likelihood of success, have not been satisfied.

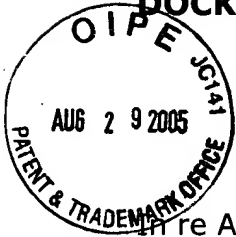
Unless otherwise advised, these comments are intended to be clarifying in a manner consistent with the law.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the NOTICE OF DRAFTSPERSON'S PATENT DRAWING REVIEW mailed on 08/10/2005, attached are the corrected formal drawing(s) for this application. The formal drawings consist of 13 sheets of formal drawings for the subject patent application. Each sheet of drawings indicates the identifying indicia suggested in 37 C.F.R § 1.84 (c) on the top margin of the drawing.

It is believed that no extension of time is necessary. However, if an extension is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 19-3790.

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